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VERSATILE WRITER HARLAN ELLISON
AT UD NOVEMBER 15 AND 16

DAYTON, Ohio, November 9, 1977 --- "Street fiction" writer Harlan Ellison will appear at the University of Dayton, November 15 and 16.

On November 15 at 6:30 and 10 p.m., the movie "A Boy and His Dog," based on Ellison's book, will be shown free in Wohlleben Hall. In between the showings a rap session will be held with Ellison.

The following day will be spent in several classes and a writer's workshop. Finishing his stay at UD will be "An Evening with Harlan Ellison," a lecture at 8 p.m. in the Kennedy Union Ballroom.

Following his theme of "fame is better than money" his entry in Who's Who lists five World Science Fiction Convention Awards, two awards from the Science Fiction Writers of America, two Screen Writer's Guild of America awards for outstanding film scenarios, and the Mystery Writers of America's Edgar Allen Poe Award.

Now 43, Ellison began his writing career at the age of 10, selling two five-part serials to the old Cleveland News (for which he was paid in baseball tickets). He always works on a typewriter, never rewrites, and never throws anything away.

"My work is what enriches me," Ellison says. "I lead the best of all possible lives. I am a paid liar. I receive all the riches and fame the world can bestow, because I tell my lies with a voice that is my own. What the world doesn't realize is that I would do it if they didn't pay me. I can do no other. I am a writer. And that's the nicest epitaph I could hope for."

A press conference with Harlan Ellison will be conducted at 10 a.m. Wednesday, November 16 in KU 222.